

May 6, 2014  
Antelope County Board  
Neligh, Nebraska

The Antelope County Board of Supervisor's convened in regular session on Tuesday, May 6, 2014 at 9:11 AM in the County Supervisor's room, Antelope County Courthouse annex, Neligh, Nebraska. Meeting called to order by Chairman Schwager with the following board members responding to roll call: Bolling Kerkman, Baker, Henery and Schwager. Williby appeared at 9:14 AM. Brandt absent. Chairman Schwager stated that the open meeting laws are posted on the east wall of the Supervisor's room with more copies available at the County Clerk's office.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the four county newspapers, legal newspapers printed and in general circulation in Antelope County, Nebraska as shown by proof of publication filed in the County Clerk's office. Agenda for said meeting was sent to all members of the County Board of Supervisor's.

Loren Haselhorst met with the board to discuss placing a temporary hose across 517<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Royal Township and placing a temporary hose in the county right of way in Blaine Township; Mr. Haselhorst was informed to flag the hose and complete the projects as soon as possible.

Nebraska Public Power District representatives Ron Starzec and Jed Fischer met with the county board to give them an update on the R-Project Electric Transmission Line and the Neligh-Hoskins 345 kV Project. Mr. Starzec reviewed the routing criteria categories as well as the preferred and alternative line routes with the board. Mr. Starzec stated that they will use both single pole steel structures with a 7-9' wide concrete foundation and lattice towers where feasible. They are also "considering non-conventional foundations and construction techniques to reduce the impact to the Sandhills." Further public hearings will be held this fall. Mr. Fischer stated that the Hoskins-Neligh 345kV Project is in the easement acquisition phase with line construction to begin in the spring of 2015.

Mr. Dave Jensen with Jensen Construction D.T. Inc., Stanton, Nebraska met with the board to see if he could rent from the county 4 culverts for \$1,000.00 each and if the culverts happened to be damaged due to a flood or other event they would pay the county \$3700.00 for each culvert. The county attorney will review the state statutes to see if there is anything regarding the county allowing another subdivision or company to use or rent county property and will report back to the county board at their May 12, 2014 meeting. No action taken.

Antelope County Highway Superintendent Brian McDonald met with the county board to discuss several projects within the county. Mr. McDonald recommended that the board authorize the chairman to sign the resolution allowing for the removal of the stop sign which controls eastbound traffic at the intersection of 523<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and 835<sup>th</sup> Road and that the stop sign controlling westbound traffic be made permanent at this same intersection. Motion by Henery, seconded by Williby authorizing Chairman Schwager to sign the resolution removing the stop sign that controls eastbound traffic at the intersection of 523<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and 835<sup>th</sup> Road and that the stop sign controlling westbound traffic at this same intersection be made permanent. Those voting aye: Bolling, Kerkman, Baker, Williby, Henery and Schwager. Nays none. Brandt absent. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-05-0001**

**ANTELOPE COUNTY, NEBRASKA**

WHEREAS, construction took place at the northeast corner of 523<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and 835<sup>th</sup> Road.

WHEREAS, a resolution adopted August 6, 2013, allowed for the temporary stopping of east and westbound traffic at said intersection during the construction. The resolution allowed for the removal of the stop signs once construction was complete, but permanent structures placed during the construction will block visibility for westbound vehicles.

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest to continue to stop westbound traffic at the intersection of 523<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and 835<sup>th</sup> Road, Antelope County, Nebraska.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of Antelope County, Nebraska, that the temporary stop sign erected to control eastbound traffic be removed now that construction is complete and that the temporary stop sign controlling westbound traffic be made permanent.

Adopted this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014 at Neligh, Nebraska.

Attest:  
Carolyn Pedersen /s/ (SEAL)  
County Clerk

Board of County Supervisors of Antelope County, Nebraska  
Jerald Schwager /s/  
Chairman of County Board

Mr. McDonald also stated that he had been contacted regarding vacation or abandonment of 842<sup>nd</sup> Road located between Sections 24 and 25, Township 24 North, Range 7 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. starting at its intersection with 521<sup>st</sup> Avenue and extending west to its intersection with Highway 14. The county board needs to sign a resolution requesting McDonald to conduct a study of the use of this road and submit a written report to this board within 30 days. Motion by Kerkman, seconded by Baker authorizing Chairman Schwager to sign the resolution directing the county highway superintendent to complete a study of the use of 842<sup>nd</sup> Road located between Section 24 and Section 25, Township 24 North, Range 7 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., starting at its intersection with 521<sup>st</sup> Avenue and extending west to its intersection with Highway 14, Antelope County, Nebraska. Those voting aye: Kerkman, Baker, Williby, Henery, Bolling and Schwager. Nays none. Brandt absent. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-05-0002**  
**ANTELOPE COUNTY, NEBRASKA**

WHEREAS, the Antelope County Board of Supervisors wishes to consider the vacation or abandonment of 842<sup>nd</sup> Road located between Sections 24 and 25, Township 24 North, Range 7 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> Principal Meridian starting at its intersection with 521<sup>st</sup> Avenue and extend west to its intersection with Highway 14, Antelope County, Nebraska.

WHEREAS, Nebraska State Statute 39-1722 requires that the Antelope County Board direct the Highway Superintendent to study the use of the road and submit a written report to the county board within thirty days. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of Antelope County, Nebraska, that the Highway Superintendent is directed to complete a study of the use of the county road described above. A written report of the study findings and recommendations is to be submitted to the County Board within thirty days.

Adopted this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 2014, Neligh, Nebraska.

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Chairman

Motion by Kerkman, seconded by Henery authorizing the county clerk to advertise for bids for the C-2(372) Clearwater South construction project; said bids to be opened at 10:00 AM on June 3, 2014. Those voting aye: Baker, Williby, Henery, Bolling, Kerkman and Schwager. Nays none. Brandt absent. Motion carried.

Joshua Gray with Hammer Insurance Agency met with the county board to see if he could give the board a quote on the county health insurance. There is a meeting on May 7, 2014 at Norfolk with NACO regarding the county's health insurance through Blue Cross and Blue Shield. Mr. Gray was asked to come to the May 12, 2014 meeting to discuss this matter further. No action taken.

Mr. Gary Borer from Elgin, Nebraska met with the county board in regards to the wind towers. Mr. Borer had concerns with the county gravel roads and the paved roads which had been damaged by the construction of the wind towers. He also stated that before anymore wind towers are allowed to be constructed in Antelope County, the Planning Commission and county board needs to change the setback regulations for the towers since they are so noisy. No action taken.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: email from Anchor Insurance Agencies Chris Batliner wanting to have an opportunity to bid the counties benefits; Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance rates from NACO for the fiscal year of July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015; NIRMA's Safety Shorts dated May 1, 2014, Volume 2, Number 5; Findings and Orders from the Tax Equalizations and Review Commission stating that the value of real property in Antelope County for tax year 2014 satisfies the requirements of the Laws of the State of Nebraska; letter from the Nebraska State Historical Society regarding the Kester Millwork Shop located at 212 Chestnut, Neligh, Nebraska being placed on the National Register of Historic Places; letter from the Department of Environmental Quality regarding Warren Wortman Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation,

NDEQID: 69770, Program ID: LWC 26-131 – construction and operating permit issued – approval to operate NW1/4, Section 2, Township 28 North, Range 5 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Antelope County, Nebraska JES Environmental Services, Inc., consultant; letter from the Department of Environmental Quality regarding Warren Wortman Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation, NDEQID: 69770, Program ID: NPDES General Permit, NPDES General Permit for Operations Confining Cattle permit coverage application No. NEG013096 NW1/4, Section 2, Township 28 North, Range 5 West, Antelope County, Consultant – JES Environmental Services, Inc.; letter from the Department of Environmental Quality regarding Kim Allemang Feedlot Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation, NDEQID: 67447, NPDES General Permit, NPDES General Permit for Operations Confining Cattle N1/2, SE1/4 & NE1/4, SW1/4 Section 14, Township 26 North, Range 8 West, Antelope County, Settje Agri-Services and Engineering, Inc. – Consultant; letter from the NE Nebraska Area Agency on Aging stating that the county's share of the 2015 fiscal year matching funds is \$3992.00; and email from NIRMA regarding forms that were discussed at NIRMA's Spotlight Seminar Series.

Motion by Henery, seconded by Kerkman appointing Don Carter to the Antelope County Veteran Service Committee beginning July 1, 2014; said appointment is for a five year term. Those voting aye: Williby, Henery, Bolling, Kerkman, Baker and Schwager. Nays none. Brandt absent. Motion carried.

Blattner Energy has several culverts they would like to sell to the county. Said cost varies according to the size of the culvert. No action taken.

Motion by Henery, seconded by Kerkman authorizing the county clerk to advertise for bids for a county auditor for fiscal years ending June 30 2014, June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2016. Those voting aye: Henery, Bolling, Kerkman, Baker, Williby and Schwager. Nays none. Brandt absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Henery, seconded by Baker to approve the April 1, 2014 and the April 8, 2014 board minutes. Those voting aye: Bolling, Kerkman, Baker, Henery and Schwager. Nays none. Williby out of room during vote. Brandt absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Henery, seconded by Bolling to approve the permit to place a permanent electric line beneath 527<sup>th</sup> Avenue submitted by Dave Schrader crossing from the NE1/4NE1/4 of Section 26 to the NW1/4NW1/4 of Section 25, Township 26 North, Range 6 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Antelope County, Nebraska, Dave Schrader – owner, electric line to be used for grain bin; all work to be done according to State specs. Those voting aye: Kerkman, Baker, Henery, Schwager and Bolling. Nays none. Williby out of room during vote. Brandt absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Kerkman seconded by Baker to adjourn. Those voting aye: Baker, Williby, Henery, Bolling, Kerkman and Schwager. Nays none. Brandt absent. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:14 AM.

ANTELOPE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman of County Board

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Antelope County Clerk